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For: PHARMACOLOGICALLY ACTIVE BIPHOSPHONATES,  
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Sir:  
MERCK & CO., Inc., as assignee of record of the entire interest of the above identified patent, hereby revokes all powers of attorney previously given and hereby appoints the following attorneys to prosecute and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), assignee establishes its right to take action. This right is established as evidenced by the RESTATED BILL OF SALE AND ASSIGNMENT (as to Exhibit A) of July 31, 1997, executed by patentee, ISTITUTO GENTILI, S.p.A.,

and assignee, MERCK & CO., INC., which had been recorded with the Patent and Trademark Office at reel 9503, frame 0368 on October 5, 1998. Said RESTATED BILL OF SALE AND ASSIGNMENT was submitted for recordal by assignee's registered attorney, Anthony D. Sabatelli, Registration No. 34,714, acting in a representative capacity for assignee and authorized to represent assignee according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.34 and M.P.E.P. § 405.

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The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee as evidenced by the attached copy of General Corporate Resolution #5 of MERCK & CO., Inc., amended April 27, 1999.

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